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20 November 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: Comptroller, OSA

SUBJECT: Funding Request for the FY-70 Continuation
of the Concept Evaluation Phase of an
Advanced Aerodynamic Reconnaissance System

REFERENCE: (A) [REDACTED]
(B) [REDACTED]
(C) Briefing to D/NRO on 19 November 1969

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1. This memorandum is a request for authorization for the expenditure of [REDACTED] to pursue the Concept Evaluation Phase of an Advanced Aerodynamic Reconnaissance System. This is a continuation of the FY-69 effort requested by Reference (A) and approved by Reference (B).

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[REDACTED]

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3. Consistent with the two viable regimes and required maneuverability, the study evolved numerous vehicle preliminary design options. Both manned and unmanned concepts were considered.

4. As indicated in the Reference (C) briefing, the FY-69 study represented the initial effort only and considerable meaningful investigations remain to be done. Although it is not intended that the requested [REDACTED] for FY-70 will be sufficient to conduct all of the projected follow-on studies, some representative examples, not in order of priority, are presented in Attachment 1.

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5. It is requested that funds in the amount of [REDACTED] be allocated [REDACTED] for the continuation of the Concept Evaluation Phase of an Advanced Aerodynamic Reconnaissance System.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Special Activities

SUBJECT: [] U-2 Committee Report

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1. During a phone conversation on 24 November 1969 with [], he revealed that [] has accepted all the recommendations of the committee, and these recommendations are included in the D/NRO report to the EXCOM.

2. [] noted that he planned to brief Mr. Duckett, but since it was cancelled, he will desist from further briefings unless specifically requested by Mr. Duckett.

3. The complete report should be available for distribution at noon, 25 November, and copies to OSA will be available shortly thereafter. Copies will also be forwarded to D/CIA and DDS&T. OSA copies would be available for re-distribution if deemed necessary by section chiefs.

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Member, [] Committee

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